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SUBJECT: NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY: POLITICAL COMMITTEE
INTEREST IN SPEAKERS TO DISCUSS NEW US ADMINISTRATION

REF: (A) USNATO 2714, (B) USNATO 2455, (C) STATE 92035

1. NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY (NAA) SECRETARIAT STAFFER
PETTIGREW HAS INFORMED US THAT SENIOR NEWSWEEK EDITOR
ARNAUD DE BORCHGRAVE HAS AGREED TO ADDRESS THE NAA POLI-
TICAL COMMITTEE, PRESENTING AN UNOFFICIAL AMERICAN VIEW OF
THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY (REFTELS).

2. PETTIGREW SAID NAA SECRETARIAT HAS DECIDED AGAINST
TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR A SPEAKER TO COMMENT ON THE NEW US
ADMINISTRATION FROM A EUROPEAN POINT OF VIEW. NAA WOULD
STILL LIKE TO KNOW, HOWEVER, WHETHER USG MIGHT CARE TO PRO-
POSE A SPEAKER TO PRESENT AN OFFICIAL VIEW OF THE ADMIN-
ISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY. IF THERE IS NO OFFICIAL US
SPEAKER, NAA SECRETARIAT WILL PLAN TO HAVE ONLY
DE BORCHGRAVE SPEAK TO NAA POLITICAL COMMITTEE ON THIS
SUBJECT, FOLLOWED BY A DISCUSSION PERIOD.

3. POLITICAL COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF US POLICY WILL TAKE
PLACE AT PALAIS D'EGMONT, BRUSSELS, ON MORNING OF
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FRIDAY, MAY 27. DURING AFTERNOON SESSION, PETTIGREW HAS
ARRANGED FOR DR. TIMMERMANN OF THE INSTITUTE FOR EASTERN
STUDIES IN COLOGNE, WHICH IS UNDER THE FRG AGENCY FOR
POLITICAL EDUCATION, TO PRESENT A SHORT PAPER ON EURO-
COMMUNISM. NAA POLITICAL COMMITTEE WILL ALSO CONDUCT ITS
SPRING REVIEW OF DRAFT COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS
DURING AFTERNOON SESSION.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO
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